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COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES
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Robert G. Atkins
Chief Deputy

March 22, 2005

The Honorable Board of Supervisors
County of Los Angeles
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration
500 W. Temple Street
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Dear Supervisors:

2005 WEED ABATEMENT REFEREE'S HEARING REPORT

As authorized by the California Health and Safety Code, and approved by your Board, public hearings were conducted by the Deputy Director, Weed Hazard & Pest Management Bureau, Agricultural Commissioner/Weights and Measures, acting as Referee, to receive protests against the Department of Agricultural Commissioner/Weights and Measures' Year 2005 order to abate noxious or dangerous weeds, brush, rubbish, etc. As stated in the legal notice sent to each owner of record, the hearings were held from 9:30 a.m. until noon, in the offices of the Department of Agricultural Commissioner/Weights and Measures, at 12300 Lower Azusa Road, Arcadia, California on February 22, 2005 and at 335 A East Avenue K-6, Lancaster, California on February 23, 2005.

Twenty-two property owners attended the public hearings. Each property owner received individual consultation from weed abatement personnel. Appropriate action was taken whenever necessary in addressing each of the inquiries. We are not aware of any individual that wishes to present objections to your Board at this time.

IT IS THEREFORE RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:

1. Accept this hearing report.

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2. Order the Department of Agricultural Commissioner/Weights and Measures to abate or cause to be abated the noxious and dangerous weeds, brush, rubbish from unimproved properties.

Very truly yours,

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KURT E. FLOREN
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Director of Weights and Measures

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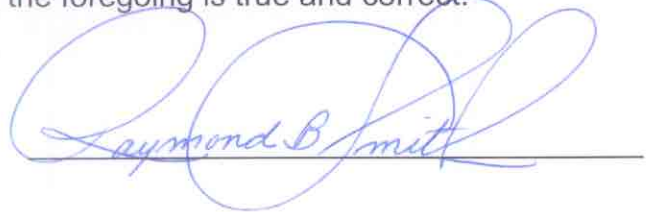
c: Chief Administrative Officer
County Counsel
Fire Chief

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RAYMOND B. SMITH, DEPUTY DIRECTOR/BUREAU CHIEF, AGRICULTURAL COMMISSIONER/WEIGHTS AND MEASURES, being first duly sworn says: That on or before the 7th day of February, 2005, as required by the Government Code of the State of California, he mailed 21,916 "Annual Weed Abatement Notices" to the owners of each of the properties as their names and residential addresses and a description of the property in question appear from the last equalized assessment roll, or as known to the clerk, a notice or notices to destroy noxious or dangerous weeds, of which the annexed is a true copy, and setting the 22nd and 23rd days of February, 2005, as the dates upon which owners of said property could attend a meeting of the Weed Abatement Referee, when their objections will be heard and given due consideration.

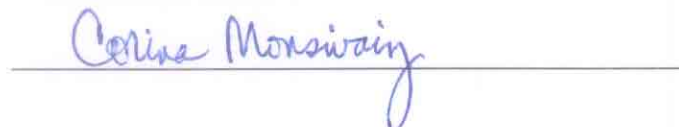
I have personal knowledge of the foregoing, and if called upon could competently testify thereto.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.




WITNESSED BY:

This 2nd day of March, 2005



**APPROVED AS TO FORM
RAYMOND G. FORTNER, JR., County Counsel**


By _____ Deputy